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To: All County Welfare Directors

Letter No. 82-46

## REDUCTION OF THE MAINTENANCE NEED LEVEL (AB 799)

The chart provided in All County Welfare Directors (CWD) Letter No. 82-41 explained that the maintenance need for a non-ABD-MN beneficiary would be \$204 when all other family members are PA recipients. This figure was computed by dividing the maintenance need for two non-ABD-MN persons (\$408) in half.

Under regulation CAC, Title 22, Section 50511, if all needs (housing, food, utilities, and clothing) are provided to a recipient, that recipient would receive \$218 of in-kind-income. If this beneficiary was a non-ABD person and all other family members were PA recipients, he or she would have a share of cost of \$14 even though he or she had no income other than income-in-kind.

In order to make this situation more equitable, the Department is asking the counties to handle that situation in the following manner. If a recipient with a maintenance need of \$204 has any item of need totally provided, the county will use one-half the value of the need item for two persons. Thus income-in-kind values the county should use for a non-ABD-MN recipient when all other family members are PA recipients are as follows:

Housing . . . . .	\$75
Utilities . . . . .	\$13
Food . . . . .	\$67
Clothing . . . . .	\$19

Please direct your questions to your Medi-Cal program consultant.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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cc: Medi-Cal Liaisons  
Medi-Cal Program Consultants